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United States Senate Committee On Rules and Administration Washington, DC 20510

Subject: Nomination of William J. Boarman of Maryland, to be the Public Printer

Hearing Date: May 25, 2010 @ 10:00 AM

Dear Senators:

I am writing this letter in support of President Obama nomination of William J. Boarman for the position of Public Printer of the United States of America. I urge all of you to register your support when his nomination comes before the Senate.

I have worked with Bill for more then 35 years. I was a president and business agent of a local union in Minneapolis, MN. (Minneapolis and St. Paul Mailer Union #4) in the late 60's. As the president of the local union I would attend the International Conventions that's where I first met Bill. In 1974 I was offered a position in management at the Minneapolis Star and Tribune Company as its production and labor relations manager. As the company's labor relations manager I stayed in touch with Bill as he move over the years to other key positions within the union ranks.

In 1984, I accepted a position at the Philadelphia Inquirer and Dailey News as its V.P. of Labor Relation. In this position Bill and I over the years negotiated several labor agreements dealing with automation, technology and other workplace changes. I found Bill to be very creative, understanding and a good listener. He cares deeply about all his members and represents them well.

Currently Bill and I sit as trustees of the Communication Workers of America and International Typographical Union Negotiated Pension Plan. Bill is currently Chairman of the plan. As a trustee Bill takes his position seriously and is always prepared. He has worked hard at understanding his role and has learned a lot about how pension plans work. He works well with everyone (attorneys, vendors, actuary's, etc.). Bill can be firm when he needs to be but he is always a gentleman. He will ask tough questions before making his decision. He is always mindful of his responsibility and what is in the best interest of the Pension Plan overall.

Bill is a real leader. He has vast experience in the printing business and as a result has seen and had to deal with a lot of changes over the years. He has the respect of everyone on both sides of the table. He is honest, hardworking, a class act and I believe he would do a great job as the Public Printer of the United States. I ask again that you support his nomination. Thank You.

I would please request that this letter be included in the hearing record.

Yours truly,

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